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Re: Superfund Proposal
Cleanup of Colbert Landfill

June 17, 1987

Mr. Fred Gardner
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Department of Ecology
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Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Sir:

The Little Spokane River flows past three hundred and sixty five (365) feet of my land, forming the (b) (6) of (b) (6). Naturally I am deeply concerned about the future of the river, the valley which surrounds it, and the shoreline which I own.

I have attended the meetings conducted by the D.O.E. regarding the contamination of the Colbert Landfill. Since I have no technical knowledge I am bound to accept most of the favored alternatives presented by your team of experts. My one objection: DISCHARGE OF THE WASHED WATER INTO THE LITTLE SPOKANE.

I hope another solution will receive your careful and favorable attention. It will eliminate future legal problems with land owners along the entire course of the river.

PIPE THE WATER UNDERGROUND AND UNDER THE RIVER TO FORM A LAGOON ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE RIVER. THE LAGOON WILL FORM IN A LARGE MEADOW IN UNDEVELOPED LAND COMPRISING THE FLOOD PLANE OF THE LITTLE SPOKANE.

ADVANTAGES

1. The present flow and property lines of the river will not be altered.
2. Spokane County holds an easement in perpetuity: an extension of River Glen directly to the river (See original plat of North Glen Estates).
3. At some future time the responsible parties might well benefit financially as owners of a source of drinkable water, thereby reducing their costs for the cleanup process.
4. For the time being, the lagoon and the immediate area can become a delightful wild life refuge.

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5. There will be no recycling of washed water with polluted water because the river serves as a barrier.
6. **MOST IMPORTANT:** clean, pure water, our most valuable and irreplaceable resource will not be lost, instead, it will serve a useful and scenic purpose.

Though this proposal might increase the initial cost, long term benefits could make the additional dollars seem insignificant. Enough harm has already occurred because of our shortsightedness. Let's plan now for the future.

Anyone wishing to see the area described in the above proposal is welcome to visit my home on Sunday, June 21 or later (after June 25) by appointment (b) (6)

Sincerely yours,

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Colbert, WA 99005

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